



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6591

January Session, 2003

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COFFEE SHOP
PERMIT FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) (a) A coffee shop permit
2 shall allow the retail sale of coffee-based beverages to which spirits
3 have been added. All coffee-based beverages to which spirits have
4 been added shall be served in nondisposable containers by a server for
5 on-premises consumption by patrons who are seated at either a
6 counter or table. The permittee shall at all times comply with the
7 regulations of the local department of health. The annual fee for a
8 coffee shop permit shall be one hundred dollars.

9 (b) Premises operated under a coffee shop permit shall not be less
10 than three hundred square feet with seating capacity of ten persons or
11 more, in a suitable and permanent building, kept, used, maintained,
12 advertised and held out to the public to be a place where coffee or
13 coffee-based beverages are served for sale at retail for consumption on
14 the premises but which place does not necessarily serve hot meals and
15 has no sleeping accommodations for the public. A coffee shop need not
16 have a kitchen or dining room.

17 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 30-91 of the general statutes is
18 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
19 *October 1, 2003*):

20 (a) The sale or the dispensing or consumption or the presence in
 21 glasses or other receptacles suitable to permit the consumption of
 22 alcoholic liquor by an individual in places operating under hotel
 23 permits, restaurant permits, cafe permits, restaurant permits for
 24 catering establishments, bowling establishment permits, racquetball
 25 facility permits, club permits, coliseum permits, coliseum concession
 26 permits, special sporting facility restaurant permits, special sporting
 27 facility employee recreational permits, special sporting facility guest
 28 permits, special sporting facility concession permits, special sporting
 29 facility bar permits, golf country club permits, nonprofit public
 30 museum permits, university permits, airport restaurant permits,
 31 airport bar permits, airport airline club permits, tavern permits, a
 32 manufacturer permit for a brew pub, casino permits, caterer liquor
 33 permits, coffee shop permits and charitable organization permits shall
 34 be unlawful on: (1) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and
 35 Friday between the hours of one o'clock a.m. and nine o'clock a.m.; (2)
 36 Saturday between the hours of two o'clock a.m. and nine o'clock a.m.;
 37 (3) Sunday between the hours of two o'clock a.m. and eleven o'clock
 38 a.m.; (4) Christmas, except (A) for alcoholic liquor that is served where
 39 food is also available during the hours otherwise permitted by this
 40 section for the day on which Christmas falls, and (B) by casino
 41 permittees at casinos, as defined in section 30-37k; and (5) January first
 42 between the hours of three o'clock a.m. and nine o'clock a.m., except
 43 that on any Sunday that is January first the prohibitions of this section
 44 shall be between the hours of three o'clock a.m. and eleven o'clock a.m.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2003</i>

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Subsec. (a) of section 1, "either" was moved for clarity.

GL *Joint Favorable Subst.-LCO*